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## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### BRITISH FOURTH ARMY ATTACKING.

#### SEVERAL THOUSAND PRISONERS CAPTURED.

##### FRENCH PIERCE GERMAN SECOND MAIN LINE.

London, October 3.  
Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, writing to-day, says:—I hear that to day's attack by the Fourth Army is progressing well. It is reported that we have taken Seneffe, Ramincourt, Gisy and Le Cateau as well as several thousand prisoners. Whether we shall gain Aubersville Ridge, which is the key to Lille, without severe fighting, remains to be seen.

##### How Long?

London, October 3.  
Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, after mentioning tremendous counter-attacks north and south of Cambrai yesterday afternoon, asks how long the steadily thinning enemy forces can stand the terrific pace and losses. They are heavily attacking on other fronts to stay the progress on Cambrai, which savours of giving hostages to disaster, but perhaps the strategically most important part of the British front is north of Lens, where the enemy is withdrawing.

##### Another Franco-Belgian Attack.

London, October 4.  
A Belgian communiqué states:—The Franco-Belgians yesterday attacked strong enemy position. The troops advanced on a line of two kilometres and reached the outskirts of Hooglede and also the Hooglede-Roulers Road. A violent enemy counter-attack westwards of Roulers was smashed up before reaching our lines.

During the 2nd inst. a Belgian armoured car daringly crossed the German lines and entered Roulers, despite heavy enemy fire from all sides. The car subsequently returned through the German positions and reached our lines.

##### Good Work by Aviators.

London, October 3.  
Reporting on aviation, Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig says:—We dropped forty three tons of bombs on selected targets. A concentrated attack was made on a rail junction at Aulnoy. We blew up an ammunition train and set fire to rolling stock. Photographs show that great damage and much disorganisation were effected in this centre of enemy communication.

We heavily bombed Lille and Valenciennes stations and many targets in the battle area. We destroyed fifteen hostile machines and drove down five uncontrollable. We also compelled another to land in our lines and forced nine balloons to flame. Eight British machines are missing. One reported missing on the 2nd inst. has now returned.

Night flying was almost impossible, but before dawn a squadron dropped a ton of bombs. All returned.

##### A Wonderful British Exploit.

London, October 3.  
Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, writing this evening and describing the wonderful exploit of the Forty-Sixth Midland Division on September 29, which enabled us to enter the main Hindenburg system in its most formidable part, says the front of attack was three thousand yards and embraced Le Haucourt, Bellenghies, Magny la Fosse and the strongly-fortified Talane Hill. Our jumping-off line was two thousand yards from the St. Quentin Canal, the arrangements for the crossing of which were rehearsed the day before on the Somme.

On reaching the western bank, men with lifebelts swam across, while others swung life-lines across to enable the non-swimmers to cross. By ten o'clock the whole force was on the eastern bank.

A considerable concentration of guns in the ravine towards Le Haucourt was rushed, many teams bolting and others being bayoneted or shot.

A corporal of the Sappers performed a gallant feat by advancing alone to a road bridge which was mined, cutting the wire leads. The first waves, which swam across charged the enemy through Bellenghies and came to the mouth of a long tunnel sheltering a large body of the enemy waiting to counter-attack. Grenades thrown into the entrance brought no result, so a strong party with Lewis guns was despatched to hold the farther end.

We captured a Howitzer drawn up to the mouth of the tunnel. A high-explosive shell was fired into the darkness of the cavern above. A roar rose up of screams of panic-stricken men, a dense mass of whom streamed from the farther end. There was no call or demand to surrender. Over a thousand were taken prisoner from this Bellenghies cavern. When the Forty-Sixth paused on the final objectives they had taken 4,200 prisoners, forty guns and over a thousand machine-guns while breaking deep into the Siegfried Line, all at the cost of less than one-fifth of the number of prisoners.

##### Important Point Pierced.

London, October 3.  
Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters, writing this afternoon, states:—The capture of the railway junction at Challerange means that the enemy's second main line of resistance in eastern Champagne has been breached. The enemy's original line of defence here consisted of a belt of old fortifications, one to five miles in depth. The line of 1915 had become the outpost zone of the 1918 line. Behind, a far stronger main line of resistance was constructed. The first line fell first in the morning. During the next two days the Germans were driven out of the main line, but retired to the second line positions, prepared seven miles at the rear of the first. It is this line, running from Notre Dame-des-Champs on the west, in front of Orfeuil, Monthais and Challerange, which is now pierced.

Some of the enemy's first line positions are of fantastic strength. The second main line, which the enemy is now holding, consists of a chain of concrete machine-gun shelters with an abundance of very deep wire entanglements. The fighting has been of very obstinate character. The enemy began with thirteen Divisions, then added twelve new Divisions, all of which were enjoined not to yield an inch of ground after the outpost line had been crossed. A captured Order says:—It must be driven into the flesh and blood of the men that they must hold their ground. The honour of the officers stands or falls with these positions. When the main line of resistance is at stake, there is no such thing as mobile defence.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### BRITISH FOURTH ARMY ATTACKING.

#### A Franco-American Success.

London, October 4.  
An American communiqué states:—With the French we drove back the enemy and took Mont Blanc and other positions in Champagne.

Between the Moselle and Argonne Forest there was artillery and patrol activity. We took numerous prisoners.

#### GERMAN POLITICAL CHANGES.

##### Creating an Appearance of Democratisation.

London, October 3.  
The report that Prince Max has been appointed Chancellor is generally accepted as correct. He has distinguished himself during the war by several Liberal speeches.

Other appointments mentioned are:—Herr Escherger, Director of Propaganda; Herr Hase, of the Liberal *Berlin Tagblatt*, as Chief of the Press Department; the Socialist, Herr Legien, as Labour Minister.

It is significant that Count Brockdorff-Rantzau, Ambassador to Copenhagen, whom the *Local Anzeiger* once called a Defeatist, is mentioned as Foreign Secretary.

It is pointed out that while these changes are made with the object of creating an appearance of democratisation, it is well known that the powerlessness of the Reichstag remains.

It transpires that the Suffrage Committee of the Prussian Upper House, in adopting the suffrage proposal cabled on the 2nd inst., added a proviso that every man over forty should have two votes. Vorwärts protests that this nullifies equal suffrage.

##### Prince Max's Appointment Criticised.

London, October 3.  
There is some criticism in Germany at Prince Max's appointment. It is pointed out that the fact that he is the future ruler, is inconsistent with the Democratic idea, and if he fails it will be a big blow for the reigning Houses of Germany.

According to Vorwärts, Herr Scheidemann will be Secretary of State without portfolio, whilst the Socialists will also get several Parliamentary Under-Secretaryships. The Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Herr Scheidemann and a Centrist Deputy, will form the Inner Committee of the Government.

#### THE MILITARY OUTLOOK.

##### Will the Enemy Create a Danube Front?

London, October 3.  
Reuter learns that the German Infantry Divisions on the Western Front are now reduced to 187, together with five Austro-Hungarian Divisions.

Military experts are of the opinion that with a view to keeping Turkey in the war, the Central Powers will be obliged to establish a new front on the Danube, and to reinforce Turkey. The question is where troops will be got for this purpose. There are thirty-three second-rate German, and thirteen second-rate Austrian Divisions in Russia with which it will be possible to create a Danube Front, while troops could be transferred in forty-eight hours from Odessa and Constantinople, but the raising of these forces will mean the evacuation of Russia and the giving up of the whole of the results of the Brest-Litovsk Treaty.

It is reported that the Austrian left flank is now retiring along the whole line in Albania.

#### TURKEY AND PEACE.

##### Nothing Definite Yet Transpired.

London, October 3.  
Reuter learns from well-informed quarters that, notwithstanding various reports, there is still nothing definite regarding Turkey's desire for peace.

It is felt that no official overtures will be forthcoming until Turkey knows definitely what military action the Central Powers will or will not be able to take.

#### THE ALBANIAN CAMPAIGN.

##### Italians Continuing to Advance.

London, October 4.  
An Italian semi-official message says:—The Italian right wing is continuing to advance astride the O-om and has occupied and passed beyond Berat. We continue the pursuit.

#### WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

##### American Proposal Dropped.

London, October 3.  
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says the Senate, by 53 to 31 votes, agreed to woman suffrage, mentioned on September 30, but as the necessary two-thirds majority was not secured, the proposal drops.

#### BRITISH TORPEDO GUNBOAT SUNK.

London, October 3.  
The Admiralty announces that a torpedo gunboat on September 30 was sunk through a collision with a merchantman. One officer and fifty-two men are missing.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### AMERICA AND CHINA'S OPIUM DEAL.

Peking, Oct. 4.  
An American note to China regrets that China has sanctioned the purchase of the opium stocks at Shanghai and has arranged for the disposal thereof in contravention of the spirit of The Hague treaty which both China and America ratified. The note adds that this action endangers the beneficial results hitherto achieved in the direction of wiping out the opium traffic. America hopes that the transaction will not be completed and that China will take steps to cancel the agreement with the opium merchants. Similar action by Britain is expected.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### THE BALKAN FRONT.

##### French Do Good Work.

London, Oct. 3.  
A French eastern communiqué dated Oct. 1, says: French cavalry played a particularly brilliant part in the operations preceding the signing of the armistice. After entering Pilep on Sept. 33 they captured considerable booty and subsequently vigorously co-operated with infantry in overcoming the enemy resistance before Velea. The cavalry turned the defences of Velea by following almost impassable mountain paths and then daringly penetrated the enemy lines and on Sept. 39 came within sight of Uskub, which it carried dismounted, in sheer fighting, holding on despite furious counter-attacks aided by fresh Bulgarian reinforcements. During this operation, carried out with the greatest daring, the cavalry prisoners 400, including 300 Germans. They also captured seven heavy guns, a large number of horses and cattle and a train laden with corn consigned to Germany. The measures provided for in the armistice are being carried out.

##### Turkey and Bulgaria.

London, Oct. 3.  
The "Daily Telegraph" correspondent at Milan telegraphing on 1st Oct. says: The Grand Vizier had important conferences at Sofia and reached important decisions before returning to Constantinople.

A Bulgarian communiqué announces that the armistice was signed on the evening of Sept. 29 and exhorts the nation to be calm as the day of definitive peace is near.

Reuter learns that some delay is to be expected in the carrying out completely of the Bulgarian armistice, owing to the congestion of the railways and roadways, due to the present demoralised Bulgarian army. There is no confirmation from any quarter of enemy reports as regards Austro-German military movements in the Balkans. Anyway the Allied command has the matter well in hand. As regards Turkey no definite change has occurred, but there are persistent rumours in financial quarters, which coming events may well justify.

#### THE PALESTINE CAMPAIGN.

London, Oct. 2.  
The Allies have formally recognised the belligerent status of the Arabs fighting as auxiliaries with the Allies in Palestine and Syria.

A Palestine official message states: Australian mounted troops entered Damascus on the night of Sept. 30. At six in the morning of Oct. 1 the city was occupied by the British and a portion of the Arab army of King Hussein. Over 7,000 were prisoners. After the surrender, excepting the necessary guards, all the Allied troops were withdrawn from the city, and for the present the local authorities are responsible for the administration.

A Palestine communiqué states: Australian mounted troops on Oct. 2 captured an enemy column in the vicinity of Kabbet-Asad, seventeen miles north-eastward of Damascus, imprisoning 1,500 and taking two guns and forty machine-guns. Aeroplanes heavily bombed an enemy aerodrome and railway establishments at Rayak.

#### SWEDISH RAILWAY DISASTER.

Stockholm, Oct. 2.  
Over a hundred have been killed, including fifty children, and sixty injured in a train disaster at Malmö. Owing to heavy rains washing away the track the train was derailed while travelling at sixty miles an hour and fell down a high bank. The gas tanks exploded and set fire to the whole train, many being incinerated.

Copenhagen, Oct. 2.  
It is feared that 350 have been killed owing to the derailment of a passenger train near Malmoe.

#### SHARP REMINDER TO GERMANY.

London, Oct. 3.  
Reuter learns that the Government has despatched a peremptory telegram to Germany demanding an immediate answer as regards the exchange of prisoners. The negotiation at the Hague in July did not materialise solely because Germany introduced at the eleventh hour the irrelevant question of Germans in China and sought the release of submarine prisoners, doubtless with a view to re-employment against Allied and neutral shipping. It is noteworthy hereafter that the Franco-German prisoner agreement had to be suspended immediately it was ratified owing to German dishonesty as to its execution.

#### THE GERMAN CRISIS.

Amsterdam, Oct. 3.  
Berlin party leaders have decided that the Reichstag should hold a plenary session on Tuesday or Wednesday to hear the Government's statements.

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.  
A message from Berlin confirms that all the State Secretaries have resigned. The Prussian Upper House has passed the general direct suffrage.

#### RUSSIA'S INDEMNITY.

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.  
A message from Berlin states that the second instalment in gold of the Russian indemnity has been received at the frontier by representatives of the Reichstag.

#### A BRITISH EXPEDITION.

Copenhagen, Oct. 2.  
The British flag has been hoisted at Ebelshavn Harbour, Spitzbergen, where the German wireless was destroyed.

#### NEW GERMAN CHANCELLOR.

Copenhagen, Oct. 3.  
The Berlin "Mitte Zeitung" states that Prince Max of Baden becomes the Chancellor.

#### THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Oct. 1.  
The silver market is quiet.  
(Continued on page 2.)

## TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph.")

#### THE TURF.

##### Jeckey Club Stakes.

London, October 3.  
At Newmarket the Jeckey Club Stakes resulted as follows:—

Prince Chimney ... 1.  
Gainsborough ... 2.  
Queen's Square ... 3.

Seven fms; won by a length, four lengths separating second and third.

The betting was:—20 to 1 against Prince Chimney; 11 to 2 on Gainsborough; 20 to 1 against Queen's Square.

#### A SUSPICIOUS VISITOR.

Found in Sir Charles Elliot's House.

A Chinese was charged at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, with being in Sir Charles Elliot's house at the University for an unlawful purpose. Inspector McDonald prosecuted.

Defendant said he went there to see a friend, but when questioned by the Police he could not give the name.

A houseboy employed by Sir Charles Elliot said that at 12.30 p.m. he saw the defendant loitering about the premises. Witness asked him what he wanted, and he said he wanted to see his friend. The name was asked, but he could not answer, so the houseboy arrested him and handed him over to the Police.

Inspector McDonald said that Sir Charles Elliot was temporarily absent and the place was occupied by Mr. W.P.C. Trafford, who was not there at the time. The Police had nothing against the defendant, who said that he usually slept in the streets at Yau-mat. A year ago he met a man who told him that he was employed at the University. The defendant did not know his name. It was subsequently found that at the University nobody knew him.

His Worship sentenced defendant to six weeks' hard labour.

#### BANK RETURNS.

The returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 30th September, 1918, as certified by the managers of the respective banks are as follows:—

Bank.	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.	\$ 8,334,547	\$5,000,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.	\$21,31,233	17,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited.	1,798,713	550,000

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#### DON'T FORGET.

##### TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

##### TO-MORROW.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 a.m.

Tuesday, October 8.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.—Extraordinary General Meeting—noon.

Sunday, October 10.

Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.—General Meeting—noon.







## GENERAL NEWS.

**Giant U.S. Aeroplane.**  
The first serial super-dreadnought, the United States giant aeroplane, was "launched" recently. It is believed to be capable of crossing the Atlantic.

**Another Munitions Loan.**  
A report given out by the Peking News Agency says that Japanese Arms and Munitions loan is \$10,000,000. The proceeds are to be used to purchase arms and munitions from the Japanese Trading Company. The agreement of the loan was signed recently between the military authorities of the two countries. It is stated that this loan is based on the Sino-Japanese Military agreement.

**Bullet from the Heart.**  
The *Matin* publishes an account of a remarkably daring operation upon the heart performed by Surgeon-Major du Vergey, a graduate of the Bordeaux Medical School, who succeeded, in an operation upon a wounded soldier in a town of Eastern France, in extracting a bullet which had entered the right ventricle of the heart. The operation was completely successful, and the patient has now entirely recovered.

**Silent Witness of U. Boats.**  
A small boat, badly damaged by shell fire, has been landed at Flamborough. It contained the dead body of a man, since identified as the master of the French logger *Madeline*. In the bottom of the boat was found the arm of a man, showing signs that it had been severed by shell-fire, and there was also evidence of several other men having been killed in the little craft. It is considered that the occupants of the boat were victims of a U-boat attack.

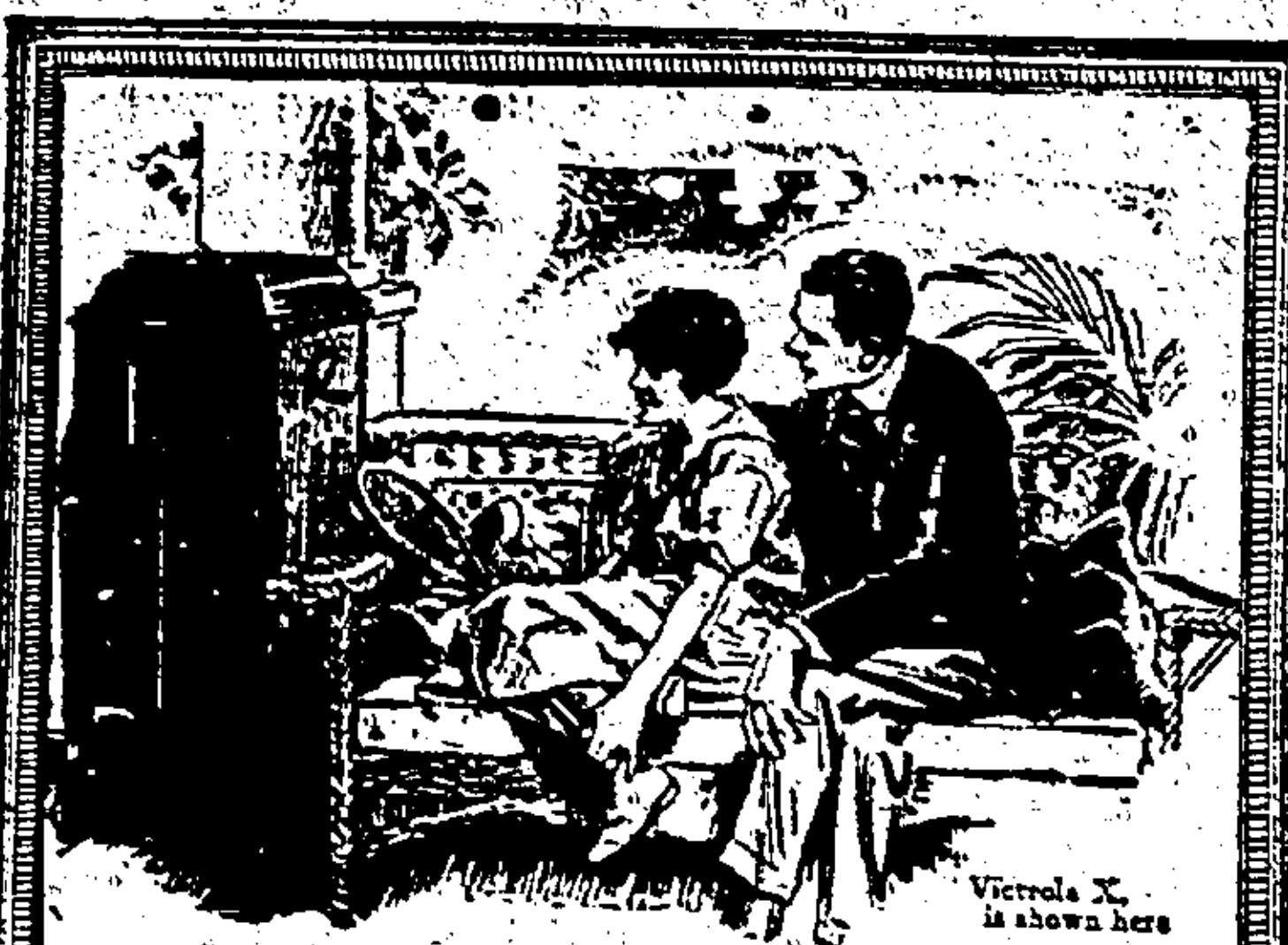
**Punjab Loyalty.**  
A magnificent example of Punjab loyalty is afforded by the Zamindars of the Lyallpur district, who have spontaneously offered a gift of a 25th of the entire wheat crop, estimated to be worth 21 lakhs (£140,000), to the Government for expenses of the war. The Government has expressed its cordial appreciation, and has asked the people to invest the money in the War Loan, the interest to be used for village purposes, including assistance to soldiers' families and encouragement of recruiting.

**Restricting Cotton Gambling.**  
The rules under the Defence of India Act authorising the Bombay Government, to constitute a Cotton Contracts Committee are aimed at the gambling which resulted in maintaining the prices of spot cotton at a high level and in hindering the provision of supplies of cloth for military purposes. The Committee is armed with wide powers, including the establishment of a clearing-house, the regulation of contracts, the fixing of settling days, the licensing of brokers. Contravention of the rules is punishable with six months' imprisonment.

**Too Enthusiastic Solicitor.**  
Considering that he had been led away by his own enthusiasm, a jury at the Old Bailey recently recommended mercy in the case of Albert Lewis Greenburg, a solicitor, of Bedford Row, found guilty of attempting to pervert the course of justice. He was said to have approached a woman witness in another case with the suggestion that she might fail to identify a chemist whom Greenburg was defending. It was his first case, and he said he had no knowledge of the criminal law. The Common Sergeant remarked that the defendant's conduct struck at the foundation of justice. That he had enthusiasm for his client was no palliation for the offence. He sentenced Greenburg to six months in the second division.

**175 Excursionists Drowned.**  
As the result of an accident to the excursion steamer *Columbia* recently it is believed that 175 persons were drowned. The vessel hit the bank in a fog and overturned in the Illinois River. The *Columbia* was returning late at night from an amusement park, where her 500 passengers had spent several hours picnicking. When she had gone halfway the ship ran into the bank, tearing a hole in her bow, and she sank in a few minutes. The passengers were seized with panic, especially in the dining hall on the second

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deck, where 150 persons were trampled upon and injured. Men, women, and children jumped into the water without lifebelts. In response to distress signals, boats came from various directions and began to pick up those still afloat, a difficult task on account of the darkness. Twenty bodies were recovered by 4 o'clock.

**German Officer on the Americans.**  
"We kill or are killed." This is a phrase attributed to captured Americans as characteristic of their high moral by Lieutenant von—, who is, apparently, the German examining officer of one of the divisions which opposed the Americans in the fighting in Belleau Wood. His whole report on the American prisoners is an unqualified eulogy. He said the American division must be considered a very excellent one, the men of the storming troop class very confident, physically very fine, and of particularly high moral. He remarks that the two attacks on Belleau Wood were effected with fine intrepidity, but regrets that he could get no information from prisoners as to the American positions. He expresses surprise that the men he questioned should have so readily adopted European sentiment as to the origin and objects of the war, and considers remarkable their explanation that they have come to Europe to defend their country. He adds, of course, that their fighting fervour rests on a moral basis, and seemingly consoles himself with the thought that it may be difficult to maintain this basis, but he, at least, is very much impressed by the American prisoners he has seen, and hastens to communicate his impressions to his superiors. Thus does the enlightenment of Germany over-

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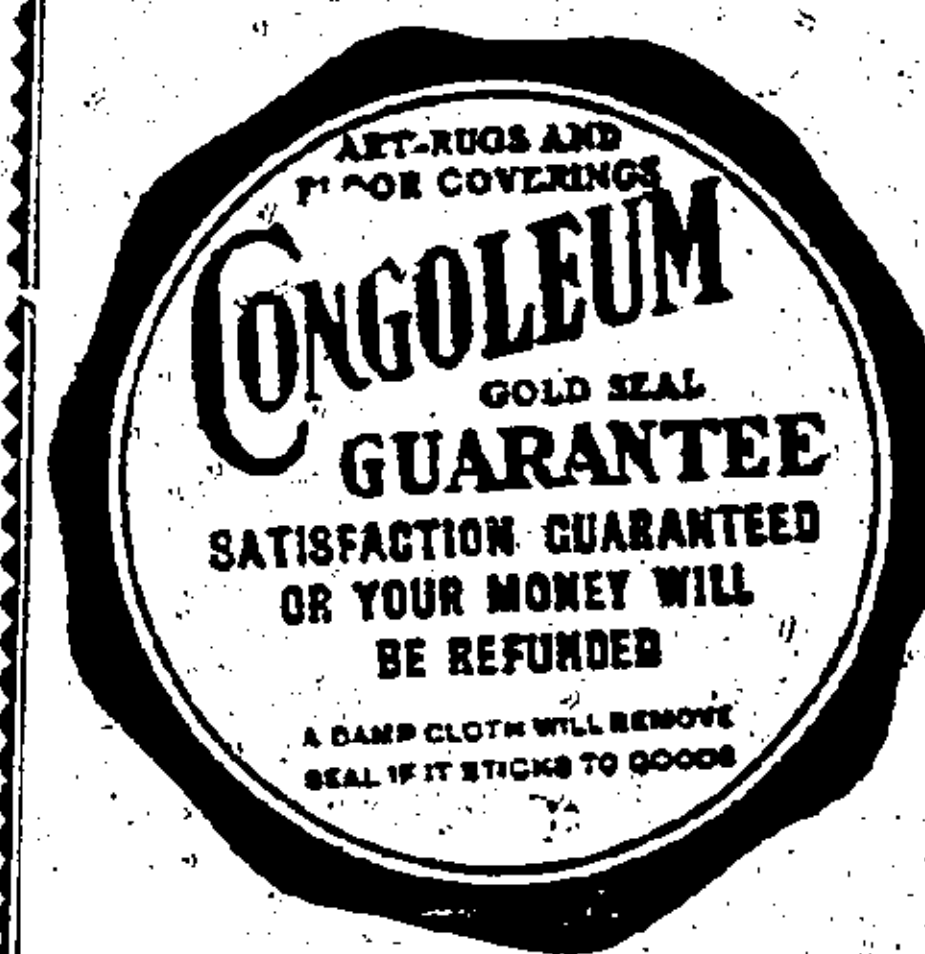
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### "A CRY OF DESPAIR."

The news from Bulgaria has come as a thunder-clap to Germany and a terrible panic is growing stronger every day. Whatever amount of bluster is summoned up to meet the occasion it is quite clear to all in Germany that the military and political policy have utterly failed. We think the popular phrase "up against it" is the one that most tersely hits off the feeling of the Germans at the present time. The people are growing with discontent, and everything seems to have gone wrong. In a few months Germany has lost a quarter of a million men in the recent Allied drives in France and Belgium, the hardships and want of food at home are becoming unbearable, and, to crown all, her Allies are deserting her or becoming paralyzed. The recent riot in Berlin when a crowd of Berliners cheered the Bulgarian Embassy and ultimately smashed some public statues should be enough in itself to show that the situation is dangerously critical. And now comes the news that all Germany is panic-stricken as it has never been since the beginning of the war. A slump has occurred in all war industry stock and the Berlin Bourse is tottering, so terrible is the blow that has been struck.

The Government also is entirely at a loss, but is feverishly attempting to form itself into a Coalition Government which they think might quiet the people. The press is still incredulous that the Bulgars have entirely deserted the Central Powers, and are pinning their last hopes on the reinforcements which they have hurriedly dispatched to Sofia. But all are agreed about the deadly seriousness of the situation, and one, a Junker organ, openly asserts that a Dictatorship is the only means of saving the country. One thing is certain, a terrible upheaval is imminent—politically and socially. Can we wonder then at the despairing wail of the Kaiser, when he sees his invincible armies slowly but surely being driven back, and his people terror-stricken and ripe for rebellion? "Guder round me for the defence of the Fatherland." Will this cry be answered now with the same readiness and patriotic fervour as hitherto, or will his subjects turn on him and his like, as the Bulgars have done, and as the Austrians will probably do?

However the appeal has had a certain effect, for the reports from the Western Front state that the Germans are fighting with a bravery and tenacity which proves that they know they are with their backs against the wall. It is doubtful, however, if the appeal will have the same effect on the people at home, but nevertheless we would utter a warning against over-optimism. As we said before, the Germans are putting up a brave and gallant fight in France, and we probably have a long and arduous task in front of us. Even if the downfall of Turkey speedily follows, the hardest part of the Allies' military task would still remain. Let us not lose sight of the fact that Germany, as over four years of war have taught us, is a strong and resourceful fighter, and this new development is perhaps only a passing phase. In all probability the knowledge that they are indeed struggling for their very existence will give the German armies a new and greater impetus, and will weld its people more firmly together. Whatever many, enter, however, it is only with confidence and great hope that we can look forward to the future.

### Germany's Man-Power.

The figures published to-day regarding the Allies' captures from July 15 to September 30, will give some idea of the magnitude of the recent victories in France and Belgium. They have taken 5,518 officers, 248,494 men, 3,689 guns, over 23,000 machine guns and several hundred trench mortars. About half of the captures were made in September alone. What we cannot understand is where Germany's seemingly endless supply of men and guns comes from. As the struggle goes on this becomes one of the increasingly mysterious problems of the war. An American gentleman has suggested that Germany falsified her population statistics for twenty years preceding the war, but we suggest that the explanation is to be found in the Hindenburg "Meat Levy" law of November, 1916, which decrees:—"Every male German, from the completion of his 17th to the completion of his 60th year, is in so far as he has not been summoned to service with the armed forces liable to patriotic auxiliary service during the period of the war." Again, writing early in 1917, Mr. Gerard, the former American Ambassador to Germany estimated that Germany had 9,000,000 available fighting men. Allowing for "attrition" of 3,000,000 during the intervening period, we consider that 6,000,000 is probably the amount of Germans that we have still to beat.

### A Correct Attitude.

The unofficial members of the Legislative Council did the right thing on Thursday when they entered their protest against the vote of some \$150,000 odd incurred through Government intervention in the big opium case which recently engaged the attention of the Supreme Court for very many weeks. The action was first commenced by the Official Receiver with funds supplied by a shareholder in the Company concerned, but due to the protracted nature of the proceedings, these funds ran out and thus it was that the Government stepped in and assumed responsibility for the future costs. We fully realize that there were issues involved which made it desirable that the issue should be fought out, especially in view of the criminal side of the case, and we can quite believe that the Government never for a moment anticipated that it would be landed into such heavy costs. All the same, the step taken constituted a rather unfortunate precedent which we trust will not be followed in the future. But the main point is that this big financial obligation, involving such a large sum of public money, should have been incurred without the sanction of the Council. That was the reason why the Council refused to support the vote, and, in the circumstances, they undoubtedly took the correct course by registering their protest in this manner.

### The Police.

The extent to which the Police Force of the Colony has been reduced through the war may be gained from the observation made by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government at the Council meeting on Thursday of the fact that no fewer than sixty-nine members had joined His Majesty's forces, of whom nine had been killed. This is a serious blow to make on such a relatively small body as the European section of the Hongkong Police, and, despite rearrangements which have been made, it has meant throwing a deal more work on the members still in the Colony. That work, however, is willingly done and is done well, too. Of late, the Police have been engaged with fruitful results in routing out many bad characters among certain classes of Chinese, the results of their efforts being most gratifying. All too seldom do they get full credit for what they do in circumstances of difficulty and, oftentimes, danger. The occasion is opportune to give the Force a deserved pat on the back.

### DAY BY DAY.

IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO TAKE WHAT COME—GO AFTER SOMETHING.

**Monday's Anniversary.**  
Monday is the fourth anniversary of the evacuation of Antwerp.

**The Dollar.**  
The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s. 6. 11/16d.

**Harbour Swim.**  
The annual Harbour Swim takes place on the 11th inst., entries closing on the 9th inst.

**The Colony's Health.**  
During yesterday there were notified one fatal case of enteric and one non-fatal case of diphtheria, both being Chinese.

**Recreation Ground Allotments.**  
The Gazette contains schedules of allotments for Wongneichong Recreation Ground, Queen's Recreation Ground and King's Park Recreation Ground.

**The Peak Church.**  
The Sunday evening services at the Peak Church are now discontinued. The Holy Communion Service at 8.15 a.m. on Sunday mornings is being continued for the present.

**Union Church.**  
The Rev. and Mrs. J.K. Macdonald are expected to return to the Colony to-day from Kaling. Mr. Macdonald will resume preaching at the Union Church on Sunday, conducting the morning and evening services, also a communion service at noon.

**Motor Boats and Launches.**  
An amendment of the regulations relating to motor boats and launches reads:—"No person shall gamble on any launch or motor boat used as a ferry. The master of any launch or motor boat used as a ferry shall not permit any gambling on such launch or motor boat."

**Food and Drugs.**  
The Government analyst made the following examinations of samples under the Food and Drugs Ordinance for the quarter ended September 30:—Milk, 32; ice, port wine, gin, sherry and whisky, two of each. Eleven of the milk samples and one of ice were found to be adulterated.

**Armed Robbery Case.**  
In the case in which three Chinese were charged yesterday afternoon with being concerned in an armed robbery at Wanohai, Mr. Wolfe discharged the first and third defendants and, considering the charges against the second defendant a "serious one, inflicted the maximum penalty of twelve months' hard labour."

**Acting Appointment.**  
His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Mr. Thomas Luff Perkins to be a Member of the Executive and Legislative Councils, during the absence on leave of the Honourable Mr. William Chatham, C.M.G., with effect from the 10th September, 1918.

**Stolen Clothing.**  
A Chinese was charged at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, with stealing a basket containing several articles of clothing. Inspector Sim prosecuted and said that the complainant saw the defendant carrying the basket away. Defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

**A Pawned Raincoat.**  
A Chinese was charged at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, with illegally pawning a raincoat. Inspector Brown prosecuted and said that the San Co. identified the raincoat as their property. This coat was stolen some time ago. Sergeant Ingham in the ordinary course of his duties went to the Kee Sing Pawnshop and found the raincoat. This was redeemed by the San Co. under the Hon. O. S. P's orders. The defendant said that his master told him to pawn the coat so he did. Inspector Brown said that the defendant's master, who was a tailor, said that the coat was given him by the chief Officer of the Hospital for alterations. Sergeant Ingham said that the owner was due on Tuesday, and asked His Worship to remand the case so that the chief officer might appear to give evidence. His Worship remanded the case till Monday morning at 10 a.m.

### V. R. C. SPORTS.

#### The Second Day's Events.

The second day's events of the Victoria Recreation Club's annual aquatic sports which took place yesterday drew a larger crowd of spectators than on the first day, and among those present was H. E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. Cloud Severn, C.M.G.). The results were as follows:—

**Four Lengths Handicap.** First and second in each heat to swim in final.—First Heat.—1, J. Stewart; 2, B. Tatum. Time 1 min 9 2/5 secs. Second Heat.—1, A. V. Barros; 2, A. Marcal. Time 1 min 12 secs.

**The Lengths Handicap, open to boys under 14 years of age.**—1, F. Rosta-Pereira; 2, A. Castro. Time 31 secs.

**Long Plunge.**—1, M. A. R. Souza, 50 ft. 3 in.; 2, A. V. Barros, 49 ft.

**Two Lengths Handicap, Army and Navy.**—1, Sergt. White R.E.; 2, Sergt. Smith; 3, Sergt. Mody. Time 32 3/5 secs.

**Two Lengths Handicap, Ladies.**—1, Miss B. V. Jennings; 2, Miss L. Haynes; 3, Miss B. Bliss. Time 51 3/5 secs.

**Two Lengths Handicap, (Final).**—1, Ribeiro; 2, Medina. Time 33 2/5 secs.

**Two Lengths Team Race.**—1, J. Stewart, W. Hall, A. J. V. Ribeiro, F. L. Silva, F. M. X. da Silva and P. A. Ivanovitch. Time—3 min 50 secs. Other competing teams were, A. Logan's team and B. Tatum's team.

### HONGKONG TRADE.

#### Chamber of Commerce Report.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, states:—

**Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.**—During the interval moderate sales have been effected from first hands at enhanced rates. Needless to say all these transactions were for spot cargo and the prices realised are very far below replacing cost. Woollens.—Bradford prices so much out of reach for this market, and so many qualities unobtainable that it is hardly worth while reporting on woollens under a separate heading. Stocks here are very small and practically no movement is reported.

**Cotton yarn.**—A trifling business was transacted at steady prices. Latterly values have firmed up owing to the decline in exchange. Clearances continue to be very slack. Quotations are:—No. 10s at \$228/200. No. 12s at \$238/200. No. 16s at \$252/200. No. 20s at \$253/275. Arrivals nil. Sales 600 bales. Shipments nil. Unsold stock 6,500 bales. Bargains 9,000 bales. Raw Cotton.—Market remains practically unaltered on the lower level last reported. Chinese descriptions are fetching \$50/53 per picul. No business transpired in Indian grades.

**Canton Silk.**—Messrs. Herbert Dent and Co. report under date of September 7, as follows:—Stock:—2,500/3,000 bales. Market:—Silk.—Notwithstanding the firmness of the market here and higher prices demanded by the dealers there has been a fairly good business done for Lyons during the last fortnight and some settlements of short reels for America. Floods have subsided but not soon enough to avoid the damage done to the 5th crop which some reports confirm to be about what we reported in our last circular. News of the 6th crop is also not encouraging and it is reported that it will also be smaller. Exchange has further advanced and rates, as quoted by us below are nominal. Waste is quiet but strong.

**Flour Market Report.**—Stock:—About 200,000 sacks. Quotations:—Shanghai Flour, 2nd, \$3 05 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3 60; Australian No. 2, \$3 60 per sack.

**Meats.**—Nothing doing. **Sugar.**—Market steady.

### 1893.

#### HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the week ending October 12, 1893.)

#### The Dollar.

October 5.—The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 2/5.

#### Too Much Veneer.

October 6.—It is reported in Java that a new process of lacquering has been invented in that country and that a Mr. Ginsburg has displayed great anxiety to secure the rights of the invention with a view to starting a factory in Hongkong. A lacquer factory in Hongkong! We have far too much veneer already.

#### The Servant Problem.

October 7.—The following is a reply to a correspondent advocating the registration of servants:—"We have granted 'A Sufferer' space to ventilate his alleged grievances although believing him to be 'barking up the wrong tree.' The 'Servants' Bureau' business has been tried here but proved a dismal failure owing, in part, perhaps, to the stupidity of those who ran it. We have lived in China a fair term but have never had any trouble with servants—they are invariably what their masters make them.—E. H. K. Telegraph."

#### Civil Service System Denounced.

October 10.—A leading article dealing with "Collapsed Commissions" says:—"Theoretically, of course, there may be no reason why the present Government, trained ostensibly to govern, should not be able to deal with a simple question—all Hongkong political questions are simple compared with what have to be considered at Home. But as a matter of fact the present Government has never exhibited the faintest symptom of a tendency to tackle any problem on a practical basis. Not that the members of the Government are to blame; they are but men—young, perhaps, in some cases even little more than boys; but still, they are not to blame for that. Some of them are born fools, and they cannot help that either. The blame should fall on the system by which such incapable men are put into responsible positions; and the system should be so reformed as to give some guarantee of selection by merit. The present unsatisfactory plan is that when a man by any method manages to get through a set examination, he thereby enters the Civil Service, and has to be disposed of somewhere. Once on the list, he 'never will be missed'—for he will always be there, until he dies; and even then his name is on some widows' and orphans' fund or other. Competitive examination is a fraud long ago exposed; but Pseudoism cherishes it still. Thus any dunderheaded nincompoop is crammed through, and then wanders out here to cultivate the art of knowing nothing and forgetting everything else. The procession of incompetents are but so many living monuments of the stupidity inherent in the system. 'Natural Selection' in the Colonial Office means the Selection of the round sort of wood for square holes; and instead of 'the survival of the fittest,' the Downing Street doctrine is 'the survival of the thickest,' at any rate in the matter of skulls."

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### LADY MAY'S ROSE FUND.

#### Fifth Subscription List.

Already acknowledged \$1,283 50  
Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird 100.00  
Messrs. Joseph Brothers 100.00  
H. E. Major General  
Ventris 50.00  
Miss Ventris 10.00  
Mr. E. N. Lees 50.00  
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### TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

It is understood that orders have been received by Colonel Wilder, commanding the 15th U.S.I., from Headquarters at Manila, to the effect that officers and men of this command will not be permitted to partake of alcoholic drinks of any kind. This order will go into force at once, and is based on the Act of Congress, passed in 1917.

According to the Swedish press, a Malmo dentist has invented a new local anesthetic, "Albromin," which, as is claimed, possesses all the advantages of "Novokain" without its defects. A number of Swedish dentists have used it and found it ideal for jaw operations. This preparation has also been used for surgical purposes and found satisfactory, and in the case of animals has proved more effective and much safer than cocaine.

"I don't want to do anything wrong," said an elderly Shropshire woman who called upon an official of the Ministry of Food, "but when I die I should like my funeral to be properly carried out. She then confided that she had, in stock, her coffin and shroud, two bottles of whisky and three tins of salmon. This cheerful soul was quite pleased when told that she was "on the right side," so long as she did not add to her stock.

While walking down Piccadilly a day or so ago curiosity prompted me (says a writer in *London Daily Express*) to count the number of men wearing top hats. Between Hyde Park Corner and Regent street I met only one. A fashion which was becoming moribund for some years has apparently been killed stone dead by the war. City men and stock-brokers had been discarding the "topper" for some time before the war, but at this time of the year it was still de rigueur in the West End up to 1914.

The *Ori de Paris* says that in the Department Pas de Calais, where there is a large Chinese workers colony, a lady complained that she was robbed of 450 francs. Investigations cast suspicion on the Chinese quartered in the vicinity. It was, however, not possible to find the thief despite all efforts of the officer commanding the Chinese. In order that the reputation of the Chinese should not suffer the coolies voluntarily took up a collection among themselves which reached 505 francs and presented that sum to the lady.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 1.)

## TERRIFIC BATTLES IN FRANCE.

## Enemy Withdrawing on Wide Front.

London, Oct. 3. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: The enemy strongly attacked this morning north-eastward of St. Quentin with fresh troops, succeeding in pressing us back from Sequehart, where we stopped him. Local fighting northward of Crevecoeur and westward of Cambrai resulted in no material change in the situation. The Canadians, as the result of operations yesterday and at night-time in the neighbourhood of Cambrai, captured the suburb of Neuville. St. Bemy and the high ground westward of Ramillies. The enemy early this morning commenced to withdraw on a wide front southward and northward of La Bassee Canal. We are following up closely and have taken prisoners. The weather is fine and cloudy. On Oct. 1 our lowfliers were very active, machine-gunning trenches and parties of troops, bombing and stampeding a gun team. We took more than 1,700 photographs and dropped thirty tons of bombs in the day and sixteen tons at night. We heavily attacked rail junctions at Valenciennes, Aulnoye and Busigny and set two on fire. There was much air-fighting on the German side of the lines. We destroyed twenty-one aeroplanes and drove down eight uncontrollable. Fifteen British are missing. Last Line of Hindenburg System Broken.

London, Oct. 2. Reuter's correspondent learns that there has been the heaviest fighting to-day from St. Quentin to Flanders, with little to show except sanguinary enemy losses. As was expected the enemy reacted the heaviest north of St. Quentin, but here we have broken through the enemy's last line of the Hindenburg system. We gained a little ground at Gheluwe, in Flanders, and captured Fleurbaix. Southwards of Armentieres there are indications that the enemy is preparing shortly to retire between La Bassee and Lens. We gained ground north of Cambrai and extended the front of attack northwards. Here on a front of five miles the enemy has thrown in eleven divisions and is determined not to give ground unless compelled.

Northward of the chief tactical gain the battle swayed with incredible fury. We gained and maintained the high ground between Crevecoeur and Ramillies sending back batches of prisoners, which by nightfall totalled over 1,700. The Canadians fought against heavy numerical odds in the spirit of men who were not to be brooked. They inflicted the heaviest losses on the enemy. In Flanders the Belgians, pushing through mud often hip high, drew nearer Roulers, taking Hooglede and Handzelen. Our Second Army, equally handicapped by the condition of the ground, continued to open the great crab-claw towards Armentieres and took Le Bixet, north of that town.

## Americans' Capture of Material.

London, Oct. 3. An American communique says: A partial count of the captures of the past week totals 21 guns of all calibres, 750 trench-mortars, 300 machine-guns, 100 heavy Tank-guns, thousands of shells and hundreds of thousands of rounds of ammunition.

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## TO ENCOURAGE MARRIAGES.

## Taxing the German Bachelor.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer is periodically urged to make the bachelor pay for his single blessedness, says the *Daily News*. Nobody in this country, however, seems to have suggested that municipalities should raise part of the local rates at his expense. Yet this has been done successfully in the German town of Oshitz, where single women as well as single men who are in receipt of a certain income pay a tax on their celibacy without complaint.

The process is very simple. All single people of marrying age are taxed with the following exceptions:—

1. Those who have only small incomes, under £80 per annum (widowers, widows, and divorcees with under £15).
2. Those who have to provide for relatives (single persons who have less than £200 per annum, of which they pay 10 per cent. for supporting relatives; widowers, widows, and divorcees whose incomes are over £15, of which they pay 20 per cent. for the support of relatives); and lastly.
3. "Those who have borne the responsibilities of married life for a number of years," to quote the wording of the scheme, "and have become single through death or separation."

These few exceptions have proved to be quite sufficient, and, during the two years that the law has been in force, there has been no case in which a wealthy single person has left the town through having to pay this tax. The rate is worked out on the basis of a municipal income-tax equal to 5 per cent. of the State income-tax, so that, in addition to the ordinary rate, single persons with incomes of £100 pay 5 per cent. of the amount of the State tax to the municipality; single persons with £500, 10 per cent.; and single persons with £750, 25 per cent.

Naturally, the tax is popular with the married people of Oshitz, and the single ones do not seem to mind it either. The burden is not felt heavily by them, and it has helped very materially to ease the municipal

## GERMANY AND "YELLOW PERIL."

## Another Reminiscence of the Kaiser.

Sir Valentine Chirol, writing in the *Times* on Mr. Davis's reminiscences of the Kaiser, says:—

"At the time when the Kaiser was still trying to induce Great Britain to harness herself to the German chariot he himself suggested that she should seek an alliance with Japan. One of the peculiar features of the proposed arrangement was that whereas in all other parts of the world the British and German possessions were to be mutually guaranteed, Germany declined to extend the same guarantee to the continent of Asia."

"When I pointed out to the Chancellor the very obvious reasons for which an arrangement or treaty of the sort that excluded Asia from its purview would have very little value for us, he replied that Germany had too few interests—none of them vital—in Asia, and she could not therefore agree to be dragged into possible conflicts with Russia over ours, but he went on to suggest, in a most engaging tone, that Germany would have no objection to any arrangement that England might enter into with Japan for the defence of their common interests in Asia against Russia."

"In order to avoid committing myself to any definite expression of opinion on so surprising a suggestion, I merely remarked that we found it somewhat difficult to reconcile this with the hostile attitude which Germany had herself adopted towards Japan in 1895, and with his Majesty's well-known views as to the 'Yellow Peril.' The Chancellor smiled amiably, saying that his Majesty would be quite prepared to trust England in every way with the 'Yellow Peril' by keeping Japan in order as her ally."

Finance. Considerable interest has been aroused in Germany by the experiment, and the papers show that in many districts people are now thinking seriously of introducing the tax into their localities.

## MONDAY'S TRIBUNAL.

## Six Cases to be Considered.

The Tribunal again meets on Monday for consideration of temporary exemptions granted to the following:—

Mr. N. I. Brewer.—Messrs. Brewer & Co.;  
Mr. B. Kennedy.—Mercantile Bank of India.  
Mr. F. Syme Thomson.—Messrs. D. & Co.

Other Cases.  
Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ltd.—J. Crookdake, Medically fit. (The remaining men of military age in this Company came before the Tribunal on the 22nd July, 1918).

Consideration of temporary exemption granted to Mr. W. F. Gibbins of Messrs. Wilkinsons, Heywood and Clarke.  
Messrs. Reiss and Co.—A. K. Macker's, Medically fit. (The remaining men of military age in this firm came before the Tribunal on the 8th July, 1918).

## PORTUGUESE RED CROSS.

## A List of Donations.

The Hon. Secretary, Club de Recreio, Kowloon, begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the Portuguese Red Cross Fund:—  
Draeger, Looker Deacon & Harston ... \$ 10  
Ho Fook ... 250  
Shewan Tomes & Co. ... 10  
Anderson Meyer & Co. ... 10  
R. A. Rodgers ... 10  
W. B. Walker ... 50  
Hongkong Mercantile Co. ... 10  
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Toyo Kisen Kaisha ... 10  
American Express Co. ... 5  
Noronha & Co. ... 25  
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## ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

## Orders issued by Mr. E. Ralphs.

No. 2 V.A.D.  
Monday, October 7th.—8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.  
Wednesday, October 9th.—7 p.m. First Aid Lecture. 8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.  
Friday, October 11th.—8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

No. 3 V.A.D.  
Tuesday, October 8th.—6 p.m. Band Practice.  
Wednesday, October 9th.—7 p.m. First Aid Lecture.  
Thursday, October 10th.—6 p.m. Band Practice.  
Friday, October 10th.—7 p.m. First Aid Lecture.  
Saturday, October 12th.—5 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

No. 4 V.A.D.  
Monday, October 7th.—4.20 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.  
Thursday, October 10th.—4.20 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

No. 5 V.A.D.  
Friday, October 11th.—5.15 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.  
Friday, October 11th.—3.30 p.m. Nursing Practice.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

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T. D. MOORHEAD, Commissioner of Chinese Customs, Kowloon and District.

York Buildings, Hongkong, 5th October, 1918.

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THE 31st ANNUAL MEETING of the above Club, will be held in the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. (top floor) by kind permission, on TUESDAY 8th October, 1918, at 5.30 P.M.

W. J. MORRISON, Hon. Secretary

## THE ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG.

A SPECIAL MEETING of Members will be held in the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce Room, Chartered Bank Building, on MONDAY, 7th October, at 3.30 P.M. for the purpose of discussing the telegraphic reply of the Rice Association of San Francisco regarding the quality, survey and storage of Rice shipments to U.S.A.

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from Amoy.  
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Shanghai.  
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from Tokushima.  
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T. KRING,  
Act. Superintendent.  
Hongkong, October 4, 1918.

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Shanghai, and return to Hongkong  
on the 11th inst.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## TERRIFIC BATTLES IN FRANCE.

(Continued from Page 5.)

## French Aviation.

London, Oct. 3.  
A French communique says: During Oct. 1 we brought  
down 14 enemy aeroplanes and two balloons. Our bombers  
dropped 27 tons of projectiles and fired thousands of rounds  
into enemy concentrations and convoys. During the night of  
Sept. 30 they dropped eight tons of bombs and during the  
night of Oct. 1 over 27 tons were dropped on big stations  
at Honguyon, Confians, Dommary, Barcourt, Maison Bleue,  
Le Chatelet and Mont Cornet and Lezon.

## Anglo-Belgian Advance.

London, Oct. 3.  
A Belgian communique states: Notwithstanding the  
enemy's stiff resistance the Belgian army improved its posi-  
tions by local thrusts at different points. General Plumer's  
army after severe fighting made an important advance in  
the direction of Menin by capturing Gheluve. North and  
close to Amentieres General Plumer captured Bist and  
Hencou Farm north of Souplines. British aviators destroy-  
ed nine aeroplanes and two balloons.

## Lens and Lille Involved.

London, Oct. 3.  
The enemy's withdrawal yesterday in the vicinity of  
La Bassée involves Lens and Lille, the latter of which is  
also threatened by General Plumer's advance on Menin. The  
violence of the enemy's reaction yesterday shows how  
desperate his position is and is regarded rather as an effort  
to gain time, while the present line is being evacuated than  
an indicating a determination to cling to the line. Marshal  
Haig's stroke, indeed, in reaching the rearmost positions of  
the Hindenburg Line between Cambrai and St. Quentin,  
seems to render a retreat from that line inevitable. It is  
described by experts as one of the greatest feats of the war.  
Praise is lavished on Sir Douglas Haig's achievements dur-  
ing the past two months, not merely in capturing a colossal  
total of prisoners, but in triumphing over a series of the  
strongest defences. His contribution is the largest of any  
Allied army to the success of Marshal Foch's strategy. Cor-  
respondents describe the fighting, especially in the Cambrai  
sector, as the severest and most critical of the whole war.  
Our victory is undoubted, but was gained at great sacrifices.  
The Germans yesterday flung in nine divisions between  
Cambrai and Seneffe River, in addition to special marksmen  
detachments and machine-guns every ten yards. Every at-  
tack was met by a German counter-attack, the latter con-  
ducted on the old style mass formation, which advanced  
steadily into annihilating artillery fire until it melted away,  
only to be followed by fresh victims to the guns. Hence it  
is not surprising that the sheer weight of numbers checked  
the advance at some points, but the obstinate courage of  
the Germans was matched by the heroic determination of the  
British. The armies of Generals Horne, Byng and Rawlin-  
son, together with those of Generals Debeney, Mangin and  
Berthelot are breaching the walls of the fortress protecting  
the richest network of communications in the theatre of war,  
whereof Cambrai is the apex and the Rhine, between Cologne  
and Strassburg, is the base. Simultaneously an attack by  
the Anglo-Belgians in the north takes these main German  
communications in the flank, while the armies of Generals  
Gouraud and Pershing in the east threaten the Rhine and  
Moselle Railways. The "Berliner Tagblatt" expert, General  
Ardenne, admits the seriousness of the situation. He de-  
scribes Marshal Foch's strategy as "demoniacal," aiming not  
merely to encircle the German armies on all sectors, but to  
break through every one. He says the most dangerous  
point is between the Scarpe and St. Quentin. Even here  
the situation might have been satisfactory, but for the sudden  
Anglo-Belgian attack on the coastal front. He concludes by  
comparing Marshal Foch's present operations to boring holes  
at five points preparatory to blasting with dynamite.

## The Enemy Retirement.

London, Oct. 3.  
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: The progress of  
the Allied offensives in Flanders and before Cambrai and  
St. Quentin, combined with the enemy's heavy losses in en-  
deavouring to resist the Allies' successful attacks, has  
compelled the enemy to undertake an extensive withdrawal  
of his line. From Lens to Amentieres the enemy is evacu-  
ating the highly organised positions he has held since the com-  
mencement of trench warfare and which he has hitherto  
defended with the utmost resolution. This movement, which  
was expected, is being closely followed up by our troops,  
who are maintaining touch with the German rearguards,  
inflicting many casualties and taking prisoners.

On the front of retirement we have already reached the  
general line Cite-St. Auguste, Douvrin, east of La Bassée,  
east of Andervillers and west of Boisgrenier and our advance  
continues. Last night we repulsed an attack northward of  
Cambrai, taking prisoners. We renewed our attacks north-  
ward of St. Quentin this morning.

## The Allies' Haul.

London, Oct. 3.  
A French communique states: During September the  
Allies in France and Belgium have taken 2,844 officers and  
120,192 men, 1,600 guns and over 10,000 machine-guns. The  
Allies from July 15 to Sept. 30 have taken 5,518 officers,  
248,494 men, 2,608 guns, over 25,000 machine-guns and several  
hundred mine-throwers.

## The French Progress.

London, Oct. 3.  
A French communique states: We have captured Chal-  
lerange.

A French communique says: The enemy has been com-  
pletely ejected from St. Quentin the whole of which we  
occupy, also the suburb of Isle. Southwards we advanced  
towards Hancock and carried May despite the tenacious  
resistance of the enemy. North of the Vesle the advance  
continues. Boucy, Guignecourt, Bouffignieux, Sillers-  
franquet and Courmy have been captured. Our lines have  
reached the southern outskirts of Comy and Louvie. Fur-  
ther south we skirt the western bank as far as Laneuville  
and have captured Courcy. We have improved our posi-  
tion in Champagne south-west of Orfèuil and gained a foot-  
ing on the heights south of Monthois.

A French communique says: North of the Vesle we  
continuing our advance, have captured Louvie. In the region  
of Neuville a violent German counter-attack was result-  
less. In Champagne the fighting began yesterday afternoon  
continued. Last night we captured Chasseville Range. The  
Germans made powerful efforts to throw us out of the woods  
south-east of Orfèuil where we penetrated. Three times  
their assaults were shattered against our lines. We main-  
tained all our gains and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.  
The number we have prisoners has been still further in-  
creased during these fights. The attack was resumed at  
daybreak this morning.

## AERIAL RAIDS.

London, Oct. 2.  
The Press Bureau states that the Independent Air  
Force bombed the railway at Troves on Oct. 1, but observa-  
tion was impossible owing to clouds. All the machines  
returned. A machine reported missing on the night of Sept.  
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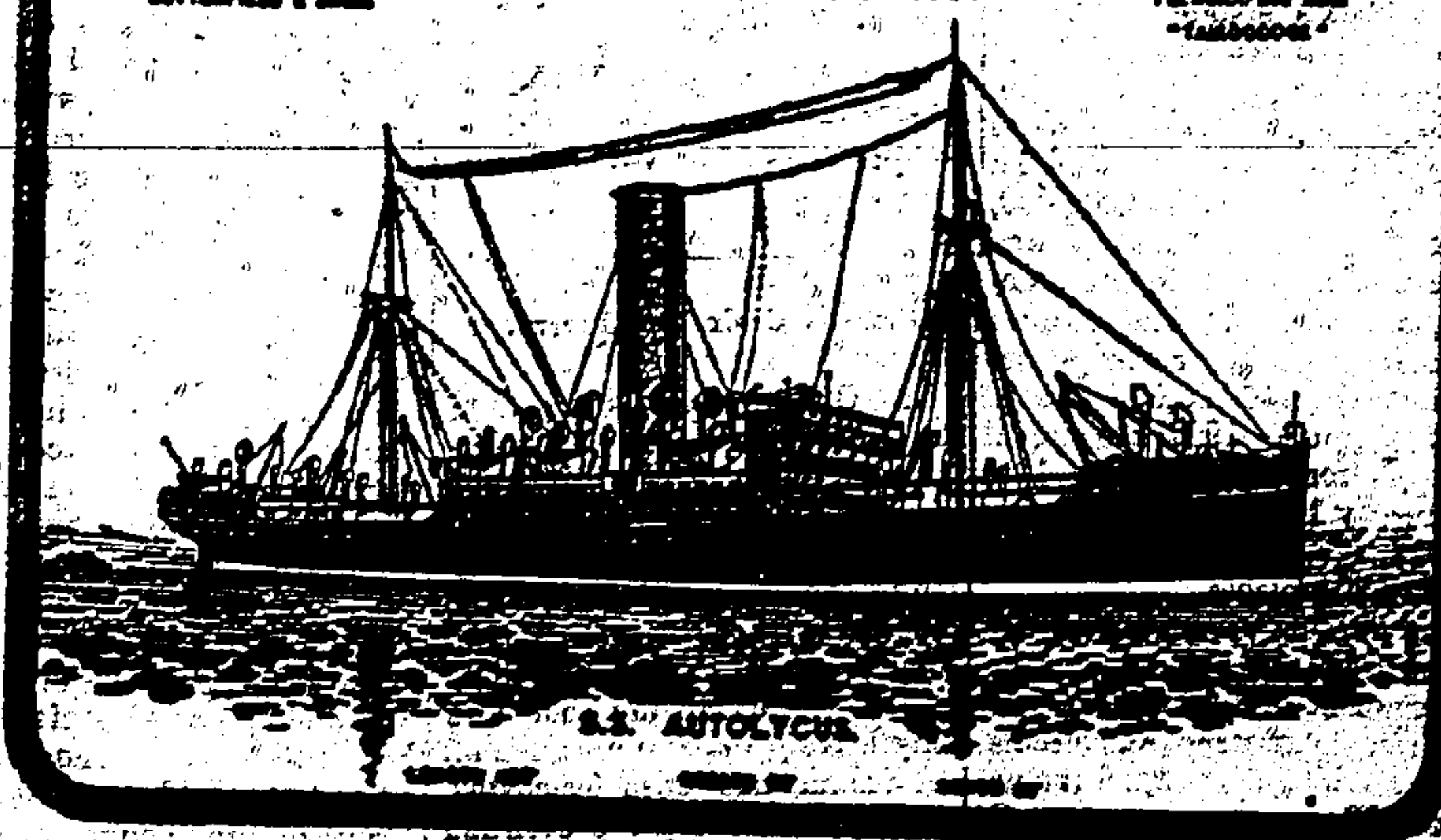
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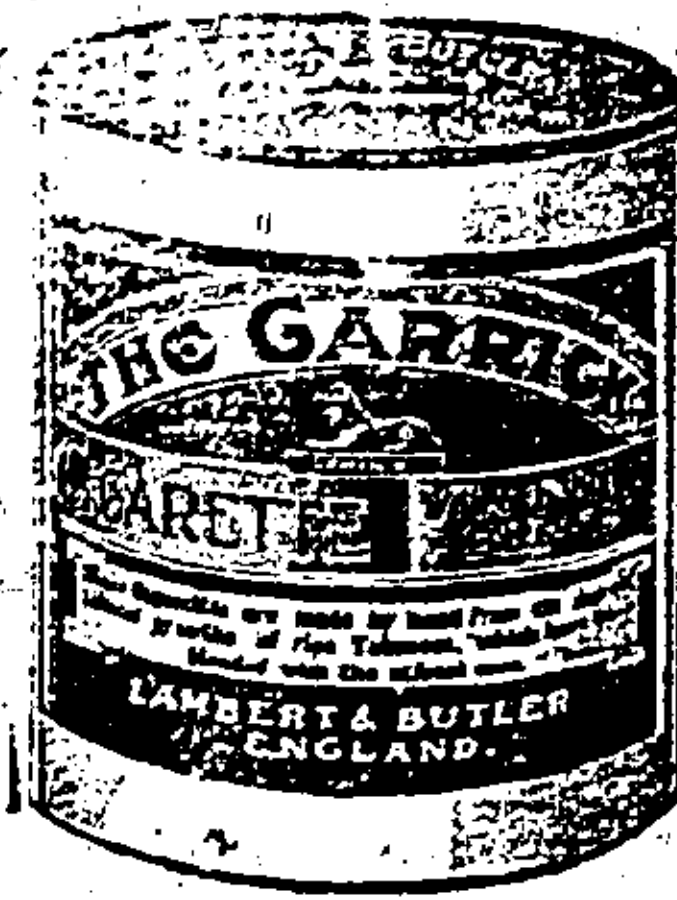
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DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO. General Managers. Hongkong, 25th September, 1918.

#### WEATHER REPORT.

October 4d. 10h. 55m.—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, Formosa, &c.: Typhoon in Lat. 21° N. Long. 125° E. moving N.W. at 8 to 12 m.p.h.

October 4d. 11h. 03m.—No. returns from Japan, Vladivostok and Indo-China. Pressure has increased slightly over the Philippines, decreased considerably over Formosa, and decreased slightly elsewhere; it remains highest over N. China.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches. Total since January 1st 56.34 inches against an average of 76.77 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	N. winds, moderate; fine.
2 Formosa Channel	N. winds, strong.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook	as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. Oct 4. a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Wind	Force	Weather
Vortock	6a						
Namuro	6a						
Shanghai	6a	29.97	57	98	nw	1b	
Kobe	6a	29.93	63	70	n	4b	
Nagasaki	6a	29.68	74	76	n	2b	
Kyushu	6a	29.69	76	73	ene	4b	
Oshima	6a	29.72	76	73	nw	1b	
Naha	6a	29.62	72	98	e	4b	
Shimonoseki	6a	29.50	75	n	4b		
Yokohama	6a	29.47	73	n	4b		
Koshu	6a	29.47	84	nw	2b		
Peking	6a	29.58	73	n	10b		
Canton	6a	29.83	57	69	n	2b	
H'kong	6a	29.76	74	48	n	1b	
Gap Rock	6a	29.76	74	48	n	5b	
Wanchow	6a	29.78	69	60	n	2b	
Shanghai	6a						
Shanghai	6a	29.53	55	88	00		
Amoy	6a	29.68	79	83	nw	2b	
Manila	6a	29.74	79	89	s	2b	
Legaspi	6a						
Manila	6a	29.76	73	nw	4b		
Manila	6a	29.78	78	n	2b		
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In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m., Registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

#### OUTWARD MAILS.

##### TO-MORROW.

Amoy—6th Oct. 9 a.m.  
Chefoo & Tientsin—6th Oct. 9 a.m.

Formosa via Keelung—6th Oct. 9 a.m.

Port Bayard—6th Oct. 9 a.m.

Saigon—6th Oct. 9 a.m.

Swatow—6th Oct. 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 7th October.

Chefoo & Tientsin—7th Oct. 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 8th October.

Shanghai and North China—8th Oct. 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—8th Oct. Noon.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—8th Oct. 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 9th October.

Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Moji, Canada, United States, Central & S. America & Europe via Vancouver—9th Oct. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, 10th October.

Shanghai and North China—10th Oct. Noon.

FRIDAY, 11th October.

Philippine Islands—11th Oct. 3 p.m.

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